



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s))	Corey SIMONS et al.
Application No.)	09/613,940
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Title)	NETWORK DEVICE INCLUDING CENTRAL AND DISTRIBUTED SWITCH FABRIC SUBSYSTEMS
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**AMENDMENT, RESPONSE, AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION (RCE) PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.114**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 12, 2005, rejecting Claims 1-36 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1-36 are pending, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered in association with this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action.